

## **MINUTES**

### **UTAH PROFESSION ENGINEER AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR LICENSING BOARD MEETING**

**September 19, 2007**

**Room 464 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 9:00 A.M.  
Heber Wells Building  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

**CONVENED:** 9:05 A.M.

**ADJOURNED:** A.M.

**Bureau Manager:  
Board Secretary:**

Dan S. Jones  
Ann Naegelin

**Board Members Present:**

Kim Harris, Chairman  
Jonathan Richards, Co-Chairman  
Norman Bennion  
Gary Knighton

**Board Members Absent:**

Von R. Hill  
David E. Wesemann  
Charles D. Powell

**Guests:**

Evan Fonger, Applicant

**DOPL Staff Present:**

Wayne Jeppson, DOPL Investigator

#### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

#### **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:  
MINUTES:**

Mr. Bennion made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2007 and July 18, 2007 meetings. Mr. Richards seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

9:15 A.M.  
Wayne Jeppson, Investigation Report

Mr. Jeppson has closed three Professional Engineer and five Professional Land Surveyor cases since the July meeting. He gave a synopsis of each case.

He also reported on the Law Enforcement seminar he attended at the NCEES Annual Meeting. Topics covered were cheating on the examinations and licensees working beyond the scope of their license. Utah is handling these issues in the same manner as other states.

9:30 A.M.  
Alexander Fisher, Probation Interview

Mr. Fisher met for his probation interview. He has been a Land Surveyor for more than 30 years, but he has not stayed current with the recording requirements. He is self employed and works on a part time basis. He has contacted Albert Spensko to review his work. Mr. Jones reminded Mr. Fisher that his supervisor will need to submit a letter to us verifying he agrees to supervise his practice. He was reminded that the surveys in question must be corrected. Mr. Harris emphasized that the reports from his supervisor must be submitted quarterly. Mr. Jones explained that Mr. Fisher must be working a minimum of 16 hours per week for the time to count for his probation. If he isn't working that many hours per week, his probation will be extended. His supervisor should be working with him to ensure he is current on current survey requirements. His next interview will be January 16, 2008.

10:00 A.M.  
Evan Fonger, Education Review for PLS

Mr. Fonger met to discuss his application for licensure as a Professional Land Surveyor. Mr. Jones summarized his experience. Mr. Jones will contact Mr. Hill and review the education with him. Mr. Fonger will need to contact Mr. Jones with any additional courses he would like considered.

10:30 A.M.  
Joseph Sener, Experience Review for PE

Mr. Sener's application was reviewed. Mr. Richards made a motion to approve his application for licensure. Mr. Bennion seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Education and Enforcement Fund Update

The Education and Enforcement Fund balance was reviewed. No action was taken.

The Board would like to be able to send more than one person to the NCEES meetings. The Board needs more presence in order to stay involved. Mr. Jones explained the reasons for allowing only one person per

board to travel on state funds. Mr. Harris indicated that if you get involved in the Committees, NCEES will pay for your travel.

#### Definitions of Level of Supervision

Mr. Stanley would like the Boards to review supervision requirements to determine if supervision can be defined in R156-1 for all of the professions. Mr. Jones reported that the Geologist and the Architect's have reviewed the proposed language. The Architect Board would like to see the words "where personal contact is routine" added to the General Supervision definition. The Board is in agreement with the proposed definitions, but would like some additional language added to Indirect Supervision.

#### Mahamed Cherrabe El-Alaoui Education Review

Mr. El-Alaoui's education was reviewed. The evaluation of his foreign credentials indicates that he is short 12 hours of humanities and social sciences. He completed an MBA in this country which was not included in his credential evaluation. Three states have accepted the MBA to fulfill the humanities and social sciences requirement. Mr. Knighton made a motion to approve. Mr. Richards seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### Timothy Prestwich

Mr. Jones discussed the education of Mr. Prestwich. He has a degree in Urban Planning and has applied as a Professional Land Surveyor.

#### NCEES Annual Meeting

Mr. Knighton reported on the NCEES Annual Meeting. The bachelor's plus 30 hours of education was not repealed. Mr. Knighton thinks it would be helpful if the same person attends the WesternZone Meeting and the Annual Meeting.

#### Architect Examination

Mr. Jones reported that the Architect's have changed their rules to allow a person to sit for the ARE examination once they have completed their education. A person does not need to complete their experience before sitting for the examination. This will be an agenda item for the November Board meeting.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

##### Pass Rate for Utah Local Practice Section

No examination results were received since the last meeting.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion to adjourn by at 11:45 A.M.

*Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.*

November 20, 2007  
Date Approved

(ss) Kim Harris  
Chairperson, Professional Engineer and Professional  
Land Surveyor Board

November 20, 2007  
Date Approved

(ss) Dan S. Jones  
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &  
Professional Licensing